

East problem can be reached". That statement of the Secretary-General reflects the view of the Security Council.'¹²

At its 2456th meeting, on 18 July 1983, the Council decided to invite the representative of Lebanon to participate, without vote, in the discussion of the item entitled "The situation in the Middle East: report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon (S/15863)".¹²

Resolution 536 (1983)

of 18 July 1983

The Security Council,

Having heard the statement of the Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Lebanon,¹³

Recalling its resolutions 425 (1978) and 426 (1978), and all subsequent resolutions on the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon,

Recalling further its resolutions 508 (1982), 509 (1982) and 520 (1982), as well as all its other resolutions on the situation in Lebanon,

Reiterating its strong support for the territorial integrity, sovereignty and political independence of Lebanon within its internationally recognized boundaries,

Having taken note of the letter of the Permanent Representative of Lebanon to the President of the Security Council of 5 July 1983,¹⁴

Having studied the report of the Secretary-General¹⁵ and taking note of his observations and recommendation expressed therein,

Responding to the request of the Government of Lebanon,

1. Decides to extend the present mandate of the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon for a further interim period of three months, that is, until 19 October 1983;

2. Calls upon all parties concerned to co-operate with the Force for the full implementation of its mandate as defined in resolutions 425 (1978) and 426 (1978) and the relevant decisions of the Security Council;

3. Requests the Secretary-General to report to the Council on the progress made in this respect.

*Adopted at the 2456th meeting
by 13 votes to none, with 2
abstentions (Poland, Union
of Soviet Socialist Republics).*

Decisions

At its 2457th meeting, on 28 July 1983, the Council proceeded with the further discussion of the item entitled "The situation in the occupied Arab territories", and included in its agenda the letter dated 27 July 1983 from the Permanent Representative of Democratic Yemen to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council,¹⁶ in addition to the letters dated 5 and 9 November 1982 and 8 February and 13 May 1983 cited above.

At the same meeting, the Council decided to invite the representatives of Afghanistan and Malaysia to participate, without vote, in the discussion of the question.

At its 2459th meeting, on 1 August 1983, the Council decided to invite the representatives of Bahrain, Bangladesh, Djibouti, Iraq, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Mauritania, Oman, Saudi Arabia, Somalia, the Sudan and Tunisia to participate, without vote, in the discussion of the question.

At its 2460th meeting, on 2 August 1983, the Council decided to invite the representative of Israel to participate, without vote, in the discussion of the question.

At its 2475th meeting, on 12 September 1983, the Council decided to invite the representative of Lebanon to participate, without vote, in the discussion of the item entitled "The situation in the Middle East: letter dated 9 September 1983 from the Permanent Representative of Lebanon to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/15974)".¹²

At its 2480th meeting, on 18 October 1983, the Council decided to invite the representatives of Israel, Lebanon and the Syrian Arab Republic to participate, without vote, in the discussion of the item entitled "The situation in the Middle East: report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon (S/16036)".¹⁷

¹² See *Official Records of the Security Council, Thirty-eighth Year, Supplement for July, August and September 1983.*

¹³ *Ibid.*, *Thirty-eighth Year*, 2456th meeting.

¹⁴ *Ibid.*, *Thirty-eighth Year, Supplement for July, August and September 1983*, document S/15868.

¹⁵ *Ibid.*, document S/15863.

¹⁶ *Ibid.*, document S/15890.

¹⁷ See *Official Records of the Security Council, Thirty-eighth Year, Supplement for October, November and December 1983.*